

Claim No. 209.

Under Article 4. Treaty of 14th June, 1866,
with Creek Indians.

The undersigned, Jack Smith, aged 40,
a free man of Color, of the Creek Nation, being duly sworn
and examined, deposes and says. - Whilst living on his
place, at Big Bend of the Arkansas, in the Creek Nation,
and sometime late in the fall of 1864, he was forced
to fly from, and abandon his home, in the night time,
to avoid being killed or captured by Cooper's Rebels, who
were all about the Country around him - that he had,
before, been captured, and effected his escape: Deponent
succeeded in making his way to the Union lines, and
was hired, as a servant, by Col. Phillips, commanding
the Union troops, whom he served until the close
of the war, when he returned to the Creek Nation.
Deponent further says: At the time he fled from
his home, as aforesaid, he owned and possessed, and
necessarily abandoned and lost all the property here-
inafter named, and never afterwards recovered
the same or any part thereof: to say:

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| 14 Horses \$ 975. | 1 Mule \$150. | 30 Cattle \$275. | \$1400.00 |
| 33 Hogs. \$ 170. | 2 Saddles \$30. | 1 "Fiddle" (violin) \$8. | 208.00 |
| Sundry Bedding \$31. | 1 Buffalo Robe. \$6. | | 37.00 |
| making a total value of | | | \$ 1645.00. |

One thousand, six hundred
and forty five dollars.

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Further this deponent saith not.
Jack Smith,

his
mark

Subscribed and Sworn to before me, at the Creek
Agency, Ok. this 16th of November A.D. 1869.

J.P. McEliff
H.H. Calkins Asst Supt Ind Affs
Southern District

The undersigned, Ben Saueho, and Joe Sambo,
loyal freedmen of the Creek Nation, being duly sworn
and examined, do, jointly, depose and say: They are
not interested in the claim of the above Jack Smith,
in any pecuniary manner whatever; that they have
heard the foregoing Affidavit read to them, and know
its contents to be true and correct in every particular,
and that, of their own knowledge the said Jack Smith,
at the time he fled from his home, did own & possess,
and did necessarily abandon and lose all the property
set forth in his deposition -

Further these deponents do not say
Ben Saueho.
Joe Sambo.

his
mark
his
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Award

The loss of property specified above is deemed established by the foregoing testimony. Also the status of claimant. The amount claimed, however, is, in some instances, considered excessive. Upon inquiry, it is found the value of the different kinds of property, at the time the loss occurred, ruled as follows:—

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| Horses:— | \$15.00 Each.— |
| Mules:— | 100.00 .. |
| Cattle:— | 5.00 .. |
| Hogs:— | 2.00 .. |
| Saddles:— | 5.00 |

and for the following one-half the claimed value:—

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| Bedding:— | \$15.50 |
| Buffalo Robe:— | 3.00 |
| Saddle:— | 4.00 |

In consideration of these and all other facts attainable, bearing upon the case, we believe it just and equitable to award this claimant Jack Smith Five hundred and fifty eight dollars, fifty cents.

\$558 ⁵⁰/₁₀₀.

M. J. Hays

Brevet Major General U. S. Army

Suplt. Indian Affairs: Southern Superintendency

A. G. Field

Captain U. S. Army—Breckenridge